

July 2019

Dear Parents and Families,

Greetings from the [Tufts European Center](#) in Talloires, where our summer 2019 season is off to a great start! Once again, it has been so wonderful to see our students here in this extraordinarily beautiful part of France, exploring a new culture and language, making the most of their classes, and learning so much about the world and about themselves!

For those of you who don't know about the Tufts European Center in Talloires, I thought that it might be useful to provide you with a brief overview of the Center and the [academic programs](#) we offer. We have options for both university and high school students which we hope will intrigue you as you start to think about summer 2020!

The Tufts European Center is an international educational and meeting facility located in the alpine village of Talloires, France. Set on the banks of Lake Annecy, nestled in the foothills of the French Alps, the Tufts European Center is an 11th-century former Benedictine Priory, an extraordinary site that lends itself beautifully to study, contemplation, reflection and exploration.



Each summer, the Tufts European Center offers exciting academic programs for both university and high-school students at the beautiful campus in Talloires. Interesting and challenging academic courses are enhanced by visits to relevant sites and organizations, including many of the important international centers in nearby Geneva, Switzerland. Local

host families provide homestay accommodation for all of our programs, creating a unique opportunity for students to gain insight into French culture and language.



The Tufts in Talloires Program is a six-week academic summer program (mid-May to the end of June) that offers Tufts and other university students a dynamic group of courses taught by Tufts faculty. Tufts-in-Talloires students choose two courses from a wide selection of credit-bearing undergraduate offerings (which differ each year) — most of which are taught in English. French is *not* required to learn from Tufts esteemed faculty in this unique setting! All the courses are designed to take advantage of Talloires' ideal location in the center of Europe, as well as its striking alpine setting, which inspires reflection and thought.

The Tufts in Annecy Program is a four-week French language immersion program that takes place each July. Tufts in Annecy is for university students who want to concentrate on improving their beginning or intermediate French-language skills. Intensive language study, strong faculty support, and the engaging French language environment facilitate language acquisition and allow students to earn Tufts University French language credit. (Credit at Tufts for French 1, 2, 3 or 4 can be earned!)

The Tufts Summit Program is a four-week program for rising high-school juniors and seniors, that takes place each July. Tufts Summit students learn about the complex world of international politics and diplomacy through a college-level course in International Relations. French classes make up the other part of the curriculum and are complemented by living with a French host family and experiencing French culture firsthand. Field trips to local sites of historic importance and natural beauty round out the experience for students.

All of our programs take full advantage of this exceptional location, offering an unequalled combination of European charm and natural serenity as well

as a commitment to quality education and service. **To find out more, please [visit our website](#).**

We hope to see your student in Talloires next summer!

Sincerely,

Gabriella Goldstein
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